

REMARKS

In view of the above amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections and rejections set forth in the Office Action of January 10, 2006, are earnestly solicited.

Claim 2 has been amended and Claims 8—12 have been withdrawn, leaving Claims 1—7 pending in the application.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. 102

Claims 1—4 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Pub. No. 2002/0099804 A1 to O'Connor et al. The rejection is respectfully traversed.

O'Connor et al. is silent as to any down-loading of a boot loader program and initializing software via a wired bus. The Examiner's position that programming the firmware at the beginning of the manufacturing process inherently requires wired programming is belied by O'Connor's repeated reference to computers or motherboards already having a wireless communication subsystem. See Paragraph 31, lines 15—16, Paragraph 32, lines 10—12, on the preambles to Claims 14 and 18. Claim 1 and its dependent Claims 2—4 are therefore believed to be in condition for allowance.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

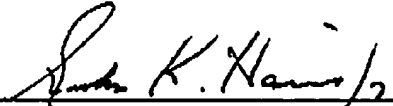
Claims 5—7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over O'Connor et al. The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Independent Claim 5 calls for down-loading a boot loader program and operating system kernel via a wired bus to the module to enable the module to receive information

via a preselected wireless protocol. This is not mentioned in O'Connor et al., either expressly or indirectly. See the remarks set forth above with respect to apparatus Claim 1. Claim 5 and its dependent Claims 6—7 are therefore believed to be in condition for allowance.

Claim 2, as amended herein, and claims 1 and 3—7, as earlier presented are believed to be in condition for allowance, early acknowledgment of which is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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